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much. I will just appreciate your support of this resolution for the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Is there any discussion of LR 71? LR 74.

CLERK: LR 74 by Senator Robak, found on page 573 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Madam Speaker, Madam President. This resolution honors Don Vrbka for the Veterinarian of the Year by the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association, and Dr. Vrbka lives in Columbus, which is the 22nd District. He has been a practicing veterinarian for 34 years. He grew up on a farm and he was raised by...he was surrounded by animals all of his life. He has been a veterinarian since 1963. He graduated from Doane College with a biology-chemistry degree and got his veterinarian medicine degree from Oklahoma State University, but it is an ongoing education because he has to have 16 years...16 hours per year of continuing education. He still has to do it and he is active in other organizations in Columbus. And one thing I was very proud to say that he didn't take the honor by himself. He thanked his staff for all they'd done to get this award.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Robak. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President and members of the body. I just want to rise in support of Senator Robak's resolution this morning. I have known Dr. Vrbka for most of my practice life. We've been very close friends, went through the chairs of the presidency of the association about the same time and he's an excellent veterinarian. He's an excellent family man. He's an excellent citizen of Nebraska, and he well deserves this award and I urge your support of the resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK. Thank you, Senator. Any further discussion on LR 74? LR 75.

CLERK: LR 75 offered...